

### ministry minutes May-June 2024

Champion Yourself

## Greetings and Blessings to Everyone!

Hello! My name is Yulon Jones, and I am the Chief Spiritual Life Officer at the Rescue Mission. I want to send some words of encouragement to all of you, and talk about what it means to be a champion.

#### YOU ARE A CHAMPION.

Failure will happen. We all fail and fall at some point in our lives. What matters is that we get back up. The heart of every champion is the ability to rise above each and every setback that comes our way.

I must also remind Rescue Mission clients of this each day. It is tough to think of yourself as a champion if you are living at the Rescue Mission, or receiving a meal from the Rescue Mission. But they are champions, too. They must believe that God is on their side. With His help, they will overcome this season of hardship. As Paul writes in 2 Corinthians 4:8-9, "We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed."

To you, and those we serve here at the Rescue Mission, I say: ignore the naysayers, ignore the doubters. People will come against you and say you cannot do it, but God says you can. He is your protector. You must keep striving towards your goals. Failure is what you make of it – do not let it become part of your DNA. You can rise. You will rise. Keep Him in your heart, and keep pressing on. For that is the heart of a champion.

### Remember Jeremiah 20:11: "But the Lord is with me like a mighty warrior; so my persecutors will stumble and not prevail."

If you are ready help us put love into action and show others what it means to be a champion – I invite you to connect with the Spiritual Life team. We have so many many ways for you, your friends & family, or your church to get involved. Please contact me at Yulon.Jones@rmsyr.org or at 315-701-3835.

With Grace and Blessings,

Rev Yulon Jones Chief Spiritual Life Officer





Prayer Partners

# Please pray...

- "...that my financial situation improves." Rescue Mission Prayer Partner
- ...for our Auburn families, as school ends and summer begins, that the children have a wonderful summer break.
- ...for our Street Outreach team and our shelter staff, who are on the front line every day.
- ...for our summer volunteers, who help put love into action by giving their time to support our events.

Thank you for praying for us! How can we pray for

## **Rescue Mission Upcoming Events**

JUN Good Neighbor Day Syracuse Mets, NBT Bank Stadium

JUL Syracuse Nationals, 50/50 Raffle

**19-21** New York State Fairgrounds

- JUL<br/>20Ride & Run for the Rescue\*<br/>Long Branch Park, Liverpool
- AUG 05 Mission Possible Golf Tournament Skaneateles Country Club
- AUG 17 Marriott Syracuse Downtown 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Proceeds benefit the Rescue Mission Alliance
  - \* Volunteer opportunities available Visit **RescueMissionAlliance.org/Volunteer** for more information.



Would you like a Rescue Mission chaplain to come to your church or group? They would be happy to share more about our Spiritual Life programs and how **WE PUT LOVE INTO ACTION**. Would you like one of them to share an encouraging message from the Bible? **Contact Chaplain Yulon Jones: 315-701-3835 or Yulon.Jones@rmsyr.org** 



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**Do you have a prayer request?** Share it with us using the enclosed prayer card and envelope.